

Global Definition of the Social Work Profession

Social work is a practice-based profession and an academic discipline that promotes social change and development, social cohesion, and the empowerment and liberation of people. Principles of social justice, human rights, collective responsibility and respect for diversities are central to social work. Underpinned by theories of social work, social sciences, humanities and indigenous knowledges, social work engages people and structures to address life challenges and enhance wellbeing. The above definition may be amplified at national and/or regional levels.



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Association for International Social Work

Association for International Social Work (AISW) is a non-profit organization that promotes the development of international social work, related research and study, and professional international exchange in Japan and the Asia Pacific Region. Our mission is to advance human rights and social welfare.



Activities by AISW

Organizing International Trainings and Workshops

Capacity building trainings and workshops for social workers related to international social work are held within Japan and overseas, including Cambodia, India, Sri Lanka, Vietnam and others.

Publication of the Online Journal "International Social Work"

The online journal "International Social Work", published annually, contains academic articles and documentation of our trainings and workshops, as well as the latest information on international social work.

Academic Research and Conferences on International Social Work

AISW studies international social work and culturally competent social work, and our members exchange and share results at annual academic conferences.



Membership

The activities of AISW are supported by membership fees. AISW welcomes new members who enjoy benefits such as discount at AISW trainings and workshops, as well as eligibility to present at AISW conferences and to submit papers to the AISW journal.

Membership Fee (annual)

Regular Member ¥ 10,000

(Participates in the operation of AISW)

General Member ¥ 5,000

(Endorses AISW activities and presents at conferences etc.)

Student Member ¥ 3,000

(As a student, endorses AISW activities and presents at conferences etc.)

Support Member ¥ 30,000

(Individuals or organizations who support AISW)

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Once you are approved for membership, please proceed to pay for the annual fee.